

5 November 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR: CPP

SUBJECT : PSB Staff Meeting, Wednesday, 5 November 1952

- 25X1A 1. [REDACTED] expressed his appreciation for the fine staff work on the part of the departments and agencies and his own staff which contributed to the short but productive Board meeting of last Thursday.
- 25X1A 2. [REDACTED] stated it was a foregone conclusion that another PSB progress report to the NSC would be required as of 31 December 1952 to begin the semi-annual cycle. He requested the departments and agencies to gear their reporting procedures accordingly. The Defense representative indicated that they had a paper they would submit in a few days with respect to future procedure and format. The State representative indicated that they prefer an integrated report rather than separate departmental summaries. (It is understood that this is without prejudice to the CIA contribution as a separate annex for security reasons.)
3. The coordinating panel for Germany meets today, and as a first order of business each department and agency will make an inventory of actions underway or planned for the immediate future.
- 25X1A 4. [REDACTED] again reiterated his desire to take up early consideration of the electro-magnetic matter, because he feels that a very capable citizen, [REDACTED] is out in the cold without money and authority. Mr. Phillips stated that they briefed Secretary Bruce on the matter yesterday and he, too, expressed concern and a feeling that it should be coordinated under PSB auspices. The Defense representative stated that they, too, felt it should be under PSB cognizance but hoped that inasmuch as Mr. Foster was seized with several papers on this subject it could be delayed until his return next week. I stated that DOPP had a similar view.
- 25X1A [REDACTED] expressed a willingness to take a coordinating responsibility for getting the matter on the track, but he did not feel the PSB should be seized with the over-all monitorship responsibility on a continuing basis. (He refers here to operational or technical aspects, in my opinion.)
- 25X1A [REDACTED] hastened to add that he was not going to substantively propose the issue at the luncheon tomorrow, but merely highlight it as something for early consideration. To [REDACTED] inquiry, I indicated that a briefing memorandum on the subject would be sent to the DCI (being considered by [REDACTED]—paper of [REDACTED] SI, TS 80207 & 25X1A 80192).
- 25X1A 5. [REDACTED] was designated to handle external PSB Staff
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